

SEATON VALLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
AND THE
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1969.

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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF SEATON VALLEY
1969.

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Social Services Committee.

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Public Health Officers of the Local Authority

Medical Officer of Health	to 30.11.69	Arthur M. Hay, M.B., B.S., D.P.H.
	from 1.12.69	George M. Cubie, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.
Chief Public Health Inspector	-	Ronald Simpson, M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H. Duties include Public Cleansing less Street Cleansing.
Additional Public Health Inspectors	-	Kenneth J. Dobson, M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H.
	-	John Gray, M.A.P.H.I.
Clerk	-	George Woodhouse
Pupil	-	James Dryden.

To the Chairman & Members of the
Seaton Valley Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies & Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the annual report on the public health and sanitary conditions of the district for the year ending 31st December 1969. This report has been prepared in accordance with the Department of Health's Circular 1/70. For the greater part of the year Dr. A.W. Hay was Medical Officer of Health until he took up his new appointment at Barrow in Furness.

As is to be expected with the continuing growth of Cramlington New Town, the total population showed an increase in 1969 according to the Registrar General's estimate :

30,320 compared with 28,470 in 1968, an increase of 1,850.

Both Birth and Death Rates show no significant changes compared with 1968, and are in keeping with national figures. The same applies to the Infant Mortality Rate at the satisfactorily low level of 18.0 per 1,000 live births, which is also the figure for England and Wales. The number of cases of infectious disease notified was unusually low, only 40 compared with 146 in 1968.

In conclusion, I would like to express my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Council for their interest and support in public health measures during the year, and also to thank the Chief Public Health Inspector and staff of the Health Department for their assistance and co-operation.

Your obedient Servant,

G.M. CUBIE,

Medical Officer of Health

2nd October 1970

Infectious Diseases:

The total number of infectious diseases notified during 1969 was 40 as compared with 146 during 1968.

Scarlet Fever:

13 cases were notified during the year as against 5 in 1968.

Diphtheria:

An absence of Diphtheria in the district for the twentyfirst year in succession.

Measles:

There was a substantial decrease in the number of cases notified. 19 cases were notified as against 114 in 1968.

Whooping Cough:

2 cases were notified for the year as against None in 1968.

Births:

The birth rate is lower than in 1968.

Deaths:

The death rate is lower than in 1968.

Water Supply:

The district was supplied throughout the year with good and wholesome water at sufficient pressure to meet all needs (See Section C).



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SECTION A

STATISTICAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA:

Area (in acres) - 13,659

Population: Registrar-General's Estimate of population mid-year was 30,320. (28,470).

Inhabited Houses at 1.4.70 - 11,279

Rateable Value (£938,193 at 1st April 1970)
(£859,118 at 1st April 1969)

Sum represented by a penny rate - £3,754.

EXTRACT FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR:

TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS - 287 males and 263 females

Live Births:

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Legitimate:	274	253	527
Illegitimate:	11	7	18
	<u>285</u>	<u>260</u>	<u>545</u> (527)

Distribution of births registered in Seaton Valley area, as shown in Districts:

District	Legitimate		Illegitimate		TOTAL
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
Cramlington:	3	1	-	1	5
Seaton Delaval:	2	4	-	-	6
Seghill:	-	-	-	-	-
Earsdon:	-	1	-	-	1
	5	6	-	1	12

533 births (280 males and 253 females) were registered in other districts. Of these 11 males and 6 females were illegitimate.

Birth Rate:

The birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population is 18.0 (18.51 in 1968). Corrected birth rate (comparability factor 1.04) is 18.7.

Still Births:

5 (2 males and 3 females) (6 in 1968).

Rate per 1,000 live and still births - 9.0 (11.26 in 1968).

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age:

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate:	6	3	9
Illegitimate:	-	1	1
	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u>

Infant Mortality Rates:Death rate of infants under 1 year of age:

All infants per 1,000 live births	18.00 (18.98)
Legitimate infants per 1,000 Legitimate live births	17.00 (20.00)
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 Illegitimate live births	56.00 (NIL)

Neo-Natal Mortality Rate:

(Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births): 13.00 (13.28)

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age:

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	5	2	7
Illegitimate	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>7</u> (7)

Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate:

Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births: 13.00 (11.39)

Deaths of infants under 1 week of age:

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	5	2	7
Illegitimate	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>7</u> (6)

Perinatal Mortality Rate:

(Stillbirths and Deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still births): 22.00 (22.51)

Maternal Deaths (including abortion): NIL

Rate per 1,000 live and still births: NIL

Deaths:

<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
175	161	336 (357 in 1968)

Distribution of Deaths in Districts

<u>District</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cramlington:	65	47	112
Seaton Delaval:	38	40	78
Seghill:	14	10	24
Earsdon:	58	64	122
	175	161	336

Death Rate:

The death rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population is 11.1 (12.53).

Corrected Death Rate:The corrected death rate (comparability factor 1.07) is 11.90.
Deaths from Cancer (all ages) - 61 (65)

CAUSES OF DEATH AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF LIFE DURING 1969.

Cause of death	Sex	Total all Ages	$\frac{1}{4}$ weeks	Under 4 weeks	4 weeks & 1 year	1-	AGE IN YEARS					75 & Over	
							5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	
B14							-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(1)	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(2)	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(3)	M	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(4)	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(6)	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(7)	M	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(8)	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(9)	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(10)	M	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B19(11)	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B21	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B16(1)	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B16(2)	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B16(4)	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B26	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B27	M	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B28	M	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B29	M	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B30	M	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B16(5)	M	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA:

Laboratory Facilities:

Use was made of the Public Health Laboratory at Newcastle General Hospital. The following examinations were made in the Laboratory in 1969:-

<u>Examination Requested</u>	<u>No. of Specimens</u>	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Negative</u>
Throat Inspection	9	6	3
Faeces Sh. Sonne	26	8	18
Salmonella Typhimurium	18	13	5
	<u>53</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>26</u>

Ambulance Services:

These are under the jurisdiction of the Northumberland County Council. There is an Ambulance Depot of the County Council in Seaton Delaval, which houses four modern ambulance vehicles and there is a 24 hour service.

Nursing in the Home:

This is dealt with by the Northumberland County Council.

Hospitals:

Infectious disease cases are now dealt with at Walkergate Hospital, Newcastle upon Tyne. General medical and surgical cases are dealt with at hospitals administered by the Newcastle Regional Hospital Board.

SECTION C

Sanitary Conditions of the Area:

Water Supply:

Water distributed throughout the area by the Newcastle and Gateshead Water Company was sampled and found to be of satisfactory purity.

Public Sewers:

The main flow from Cramlington New Town Area has now been diverted to the new Water Pollution Control Works via the North East Contour Sewer.

A scheme for relaying part of the Brierdene sewer near the Beehive Inn has been approved by the Ministry and a contract is to be advertised.

Rivers and Streams:

Closet Accommodation)	
Public Cleansing)	
Sanitary Inspection of the District)	These items are dealt
Shops and Offices)	with in the Chief Public
Camping Sites)	Health Inspector's report
Smoke Abatement)	
Swimming Baths and Pools)	
Eradication of Bed Bugs)	

Schools:

The sanitary conditions and the water supply of all schools in the Area have been satisfactory.

SECTIONS D & E

relating to Housing and inspection and supervision of Food are dealt with in the Chief Public Health Inspector's report.

SECTION F

PREVALENCE OF, CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

Scarlet Fever:

13(5) cases of Scarlet Fever were notified. All cases were isolated at home.

Distribution in districts was:

Cramlington:	- (1) case(s)
Seaton Delaval:	2 (-) "
Seghill:	- (1) "
Earsdon:	<u>11</u> (3) "
	<u>13</u> (5)

Incidence of Scarlet Fever per 1,000 of the population was 0.43 (0.18).

Diphtheria:

The district was free of Diphtheria during the year.

Pneumonia:

0(1) cases of Pneumonia were notified.

Deaths - 17 (19).

Death rate per 1,000 of the population was 0.56 (0.67).

Erysipelas:

0(0) cases of Erysipelas were notified during the year.

Notifiable diseases (excluding Tuberculosis) during 1969.

Disease.	Cases Notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Measles	19	-	-
Dysentery	1	-	-
Hepatitis	1	-	-
Scarlet Fever	13	-	-
Whooping Cough	2	-	-

Analysis of Total Notified Cases under Age Groups

Disease	Age Unknown	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	35	45	65 and Over
Measles	-	-	4	3	1	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hepatitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	1	-	2	9	1	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

Prevention of Blindness:

No case of Ophthalmia Neonatorum was notified during the year.

Tuberculosis:

At the beginning of the year 146 (141) cases were on the register, 119 Pulmonary and 27 Non-Pulmonary, 4 new cases, 3 Pulmonary and 1 Non-Pulmonary, were notified during the year, and 5 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were transferred from other districts.

2 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were transferred to other districts.

10 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were removed from the register during the year as having recovered, 1 case of Pulmonary Tuberculosis was notified as "Quiescent" and 1 case was now diagnosed as Pneumoconiosis.

At the 31st December 1969, 141 cases - 113 Pulmonary and 28 Non-Pulmonary, were on the register distributed as follows:-

District	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Cramlington:	18	20	1	9
Seaton Delaval:	11	14	4	4
Seghill:	6	5	-	2
Earsdon:	17	22	5	3
	52	61	10	18

New Cases and Mortality during 1969

Age Periods	New Cases		Deaths	
	Respiratory	Non-Respiratory	Respiratory	Non-Respiratory
Age Unknown	-	-	-	-
Under 1	-	-	-	-
1-	-	-	-	-
5-	1	-	-	-
15-	-	-	-	-
25-	-	-	-	-
35-	-	-	-	-
45-	-	-	-	-
55-	2	1	-	-
65 & Over	-	-	-	-
	3	1	-	-

No deaths from Pulmonary Tuberculosis were registered during the year. Death rate from Tuberculosis (all forms) 0.00 (6.85) per 1,000 cases on the register at the 31st December 1969.

Death rate per 1,000 population was 0.00 (0.04).

Notification of Tuberculosis:

No action was necessary to enforce notification.

Tuberculosis, B.C.G. Vaccination:

The number of school children B.C.G. vaccinated by the School Medical Officers during 1969 was 169.

Venereal Diseases:

Propaganda has been conducted on the lines suggested by the Ministry of Health and Central Council for Health Education.

No case had applied to the Department for advice.

National Assistance Act, 1948 Sec. 47:

No action under the above was necessary during the year.

Incidence of Infectious Diseases Notified excluding Tuberculosis

Years 1960 - 1969.

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Scarlet Fever	8	3	3	6	2	5	2	5	13	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Pneumonia	3	7	3	2	3	3	1	1	2	2
Whooping Cough	4	1	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1
Measles	12	350	162	296	61	257	180	130	114	19
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	22	19	1	1	6	5	3	10	10	10
Meningitis & Cerebro Spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
" Non-Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis Infective	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis Post Infectious	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anthrax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hepatitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	53	386	179	306	75	263	226	143	136	36

SEATON VALLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Annual Report of the Chief Public Health Inspector
for the year ending 31st December 1969.

To the Chairman and
Members of the Council:

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The following 181 houses in clearance areas, subject to demolition orders, or in respect of which undertakings have been accepted, were occupied on 31st December 1969:-

<u>Earsdon Area</u>	<u>No. of Houses</u>
Emmerson Place	13
Backworth House	1
Percy Terrace	2
Warkworth Street	26
Hotspur Street	26
Percy Street	32
Northumberland Terrace	24
Prudhoe Street	20
Church Street	27
Dukes Cottages	5
21 Dobinsons Yard	1
	<u>177</u>

Seghill Area

Spice Cake Row	1
Chapel Row	3
	<u>4</u>

77 condemned houses were emptied during the year. 23 condemned houses were demolished, viz:-

Station Cottages. Cramlington	2
Nelson Avenue, Nelson Village	2
Railway Cottages. Dam Dykes	2
Albion Terrace, Shankhouse	11
Burnside, Holywell Village	2
Chapel House, West Holywell	<u>4</u>
	<u>23</u>

Repair of Dwellings:

470 inspections of house property were made and 74 houses repaired as a result.

Discretionary Grants:

1. During the year 11 applications for Discretionary Grants were approved by the Council at an average grant of £374. 0. 0.
2. Since the inception of the scheme 207 houses have been approved for grant.

Standard Grants:

	<u>During the year</u>	<u>Total to date</u>
1. Number of separate homes for which grants have been made:	17	198
2. Number of houses provided with:-		
(a) Bath or shower	19	166
(b) Washhand Basin	20	174
(c) Hot water supply	19	163
(d) Water closet	20	164
(e) Foodstore	15	137
(f) Sink	1	1

Rent Act 1957:

No applications for Certificates of Disrepair were received.

Drainage:Drainage Inspected, Tested and Passed during 1969.

Old drains removed	feet
New 4" drain installed	572
" 6" " "	-
" trapped gullies provided	46
" W.Cs. provided	31
Inspection chambers provided	35
Baths provided	29
Sinks "	27
Lavatory basins provided	29

Clean Air Act 1956:

Offences against the provisions of this Act in the Cramlington Smoke Control Area have been dealt with informally and it has not been found necessary to bring any case before the Council.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

53 visits were made in connection with cases of infectious disease.

FOOD INSPECTION.

48 visits were paid to food shops and the undermentioned foods condemned as unfit for human consumption:-

Product	Quantity	Weight lbs.	Product	Quantity	Weight lbs.
Peaches	30 tins	32	Carrots	4 tins	3 $\frac{1}{4}$
Pears	29 "	31	Green Beans	3 "	3
Strawberries	26 "	22 $\frac{3}{4}$	Butter Beans	2 "	2
Pineapples	24 "	22	Potatoes	2 "	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Grapefruit	14 "	14 $\frac{1}{4}$	Broad Beans	1 "	$\frac{3}{4}$
Apricots	5 "	5	Vegetable Salad	1	$\frac{1}{4}$
Fruit Salad	5 "	5	Cooked Ham	8	69 $\frac{1}{4}$
Plums	4 "	5	Beef Silversides	-	64 $\frac{1}{2}$
Blackberries	1 "	1	Sheep Livers	6	60
Oranges	1 "	$\frac{3}{4}$	Chopped Pork	14	32 $\frac{3}{4}$
Tomatoes	65 "	45 $\frac{1}{4}$	Corned Beef	10	21 $\frac{3}{4}$
Peas	59 "	40 $\frac{1}{4}$	Steak	10	9 $\frac{1}{4}$
Baked Beans	18 "	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	Brawn	1	7 $\frac{1}{2}$

Product	Quantity	Weight	Product	Quantity	Weight
		lbs.			lbs.
Tongues	5	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Milk Pudding	1	1
Ham & Pork	8	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	Apple Dumpling	5	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Braised Beef	1	1	Apricot Dumpling	3	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Ham & Chicken Roll	2	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	Scotch Broth	4	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Chicken Capri	1	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	Tomato Soup	2	2
Chicken Breasts	2	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Mushroom Soup	2	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Irish Stew	3	3	Chicken Soup	1	1
Steak & Kidney Pudding	2	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Green Pea Soup	1	1
Hot Dog Sausages	2	1	Vegetable Soup	1	1
Pilchards	2	1	Lentil Soup	1	$\frac{3}{4}$
Salmon	2	1	Cheese	14	pkts 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Shrimps	2	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	Pease Pudding	3	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Smoked Codling Fillets	1	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Spaghetti Bolognese	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
Rice	19	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	Spaghetti	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
Macaroni	7	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	Evaporated Milk	14	Small
Tapioca	3	3	" "	6	Large
Custard	3	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	Dairy Cream	2	$\frac{3}{4}$
Semolina	2	2	Instant Coffee	2	$\frac{1}{4}$
Sago	1	1			
Dinners		3 x 4/3d.	Chicken & Mushroom Casserole	5	x 2/6d.
Cod Fries		4 x 2/6d.	Chicken Joints	8	x 5/3d.
Fish Fingers		1 x 3/2d.	Fish Cakes	13	x 1/2d.
" "		3 x 1/9d.	Cod	1	x 2/-d.
Mixed Vegetables		4 x 2/2d.	Chicken Pie	2	x 1/9d.
" "		10 x 1/2d.	Steak & Kidney Pie	1	x 1/9d.
Cod in Batter		4 x 2/11d.	Salmon Fish Cakes	3	x 1/10d.
Gateau		3 x 2/6d.	Corn on Cob	3	x 3/6d.
Eclairs		1 x 2/3d.	" Smash" Strawberry	1	
Broad Beans		11 x 1/2d.	Ice Lolly		
Fish Fingers		19 x 2/11d.	Cod Portions	4	x 2/1d.
" "		20 x 1/11d.	Haddock Portions	4	x 2/3d.
Steak Burgers		11 x 1/11d.	" "	6	x 4/3d.
" "		5 x 3/6d.	Kippers	9	x 2/8d.
Peas		20 x 1/1d.	Mouse	13	x 2/3d.
"		16 x 2/-d.	Sprouts	23	x 7d.
Sliced Lamb		13 x 3/6d.	"	8	x 2/3d.
Sweet Corn		10 x 1/9d.	Sliced Green Beans	12	x 1/3d.
Shepherds Pie		5 x 3/6d.	" " "	12	x 1/1d.
" "		19 x 1/11d.	Vol au Vent	7	x 2/-d.
Chips		3 x 1/2d.	Croquettes	2	x 2/6d.
Short Crust		7 x 1/3d.	Puff	7	x 1/6d.
" "		1 x 2/1d.		3	x 2/-d.
Plaice Portions		12 x 2/5d.			
Puff		7 x 1/2d.			

Ice Cream:

There was, on the 31st December 1969, one premise where ice cream was made and sold, and 66 other premises were registered for the sale of ice cream. The following samples were taken:-

Ministry of Health Provisional Grading

No. of Samples	Grade I	II	III	IV
46	40	6	-	-

Milk:

10 samples taken were tested for Brucella Abortus. All proved negative.

Water:

27 samples were taken and found to be of satisfactory quality.

Food Hygiene:

The following inspections were made during the year:-

Greengrocers	64	Canteens	42
Butchers Shops	48	Clubs and Pubs	50
Fried Fish Shops	20	Ice Cream Shops	122
Grocers	97	Food Inspection	48
Confectioners	91	Food Vans	117
Bakehouses	6	Ice Cream Manufacturers	10
General Dealers	114		
Preserved Food Premises	28		

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

(a) Registration and General Inspection:

Class of Premises (1)	Number of Premises Registered during year (2)	Number of Premises Registered at end of year (3)	Number of Premises Receiving a general inspection during the year (4)
Offices	8	25	25
Retail Shops	-	84	84
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	1	1
Catering Establishments open to public, Canteens	-	12	12
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-
TOTALS:	8	122	122

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act - 262.

- (b) Contraventions - 6
- (c) Exemptions - NIL
- (d) Prosecutions - NIL

(f) Reported Accidents

Workplace	Number Reported		Total Number Investigated	Action Recommended			
	Fatal	Non-Fatal		Prosecution	Formal Warning	Informal Advice	No Action
Offices	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retail Shops	-	2	2	-	-	2	-
Wholesale Shops Warehouses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Catering Establishments open to the public, canteens	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	-	2	2	-	-	2	-

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

	No. on Register	Inspec-tions	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6, are enforced by the Council:	-	-	-	-
Factories not included in above where Section 7 is enforced by the Council:	58	97	2	-
Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Council:	-	-	-	-
	58	97	2	-

Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient					
(b) Unsuitable or defective	2	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences (not including offences relating to outworkers)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	2	-	-	-	-

PETROLEUM ACTS AND REGULATIONS

	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
No. of licences issued to store petroleum spirit:	18	21	21	21	20	21
No. of licences issued to store calcium carbide:	-	-	-	-	-	-
No. of inspections made of above stores:	31	23	27	41	43	97

RODENT CONTROL

271 treatments for rat infestation and 52 for mice were made during the year. As in the past, no charge was levied for treatments to dwelling houses.

CIVIC AMENITIES ACT, 1967

Since the implementation of this Act early in 1968, 336 visits have been made resulting in the removal of 100 abandoned vehicles.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

In 1969 your fleet of refuse vehicles was as under:

Registration No.	Date of Registration	Type	Fleet No.
ONL 878F	1.5.68	50 cub. yds. Paxit	1
GTY 51D	1.2.66	" " "	2
NJR 316F	1.11.67	" " "	3
OTY 815B	14.10.64	35 "	4
TJR 956H	14.8.69	50 "	5
JTY 951	1.11.55	10 " Side Loader	10 (transferred to sewage works July 1969).

Your cleansing staff comprised:-

1 Foreman	4 Drivers	1 Tipman
1 Man - Work Study	16 Binlifters	1 Salvage man.

The number of working days lost in 1969 was 488 owing to illness and 334 owing to holidays and absence.

Tipping continued at East Cramlington but several outbreaks of fire occurred mainly due to a shortage of suitable covering material.

The provision of a pulverising plant was agreed by the Council and the plant, its attendant salvage depot and the new access road are under construction.

The approximate tonnage of refuse collected is 10358.

STATISTICS.

Population: 30320

No. of houses with bins	-	8,220
" " " privy boxes	-	-
" " " pail closets	-	3
" " " paper sack holders	-	3,056

Operation Statistics

1	Total Refuse Collected	10,358 tons
2	Weight (cwts,) per 1000 population per day	18.71 cwts.
3	Number of premises from which refuse is collected	11,642 premises
4	Premises from which collection is made at least once weekly	100%
5	Average haul single journey	3 miles
6	Kerbside collection expressed as estimated percentage	NIL
7	Total refuse disposed of	10,358 tons
8	Method of disposal Controlled tipping	100%
9	Salvage analysis of income	

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Tons</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>-</u>
Scrap Metal	-	-
Waste Paper	1,031	90
Other Salvage	152	11
	<u>1,183</u>	<u>101</u>

10 Trade Refuse

Income	NIL
Tonnage	NIL

Conclusion:

I would like to thank the Chairman and Members of the Council, Dr. Cubie, Dr. Hay and the staff of the Health Department for their support and advice during the year.

Your obedient Servant,

R. SIMPSON,

Chief Public Health Inspector.

